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H. CON. RES. 232

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the Congress concerning the safety and well-being of United States citizens injured while traveling in Mexico.

Whereas hundreds of United States citizens travel by automobile to Mexico every day;

Whereas United States automobile insurance is not valid in Mexico and travellers may purchase additional insurance to cover potential liability or injury while in Mexico;

Whereas in cases where additional insurance is not purchased and a United States citizen is involved in an automobile accident, the American will be subject to a bond requirement before being permitted to return to the United States; and

Whereas in a recent incident, a United States citizen injured in an automobile accident in Mexico was not transferred to a United States hospital for 18 hours, even after medical personnel in Mexico recommended his immediate transfer to the United States for emergency treatment,

until the family posted the bond set by Mexican authorities: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring)*, That it is the sense of the Congress that, in
3 order to protect the safety and well-being of United States
4 citizens travelling in Mexico, the President should continue to negotiate with the Government of Mexico to establish procedures, including a humanitarian exemption to
5 Mexican bond requirements, to ensure the expedited return of United States citizens injured in Mexico to the
6 United States for medical treatment, if necessary.

Passed the House of Representatives July 24, 2000.

Attest:

JEFF TRANDAHL,

Clerk.